

At Page 3, Line 30, add:

Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiments;

On a new page and after Page 7, Line 2, add:

Abstract of the Invention

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An alternating pad consisting of transverse inflatable cells (1 and 2) alternately inflated and deflated. An internal cell (5) is provided at the outermost edges of each transverse cell (1,2). The internal cell (5) is constantly inflated at a higher pressure than the traverse cells (1, 2). The internal cell (5) is at a lower height than the cells (1,2) and preferably of a chamfered shape to provide optimum pressure relief across the whole surface of the pad. The internal cell (5) provides stable patient exit, entry or transfer from a bed or seat.--.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims 1-7 to read as follows:

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1. An inflatable support for providing pressure relief ~~the inflatable support~~, comprising at least one inflatable transverse cell extending transversely of the support, each at least one transverse cell having outermost opposite ends and within each said outermost opposite end at least one internal cell at a higher pressure than the transverse cell, the internal cell having a lower height than the transverse cell, such that the whole of the support surface provides pressure relief.

~~B~~ n.a.

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2. The inflatable support of claim 1, comprising a plurality of transverse cells, inflated and deflated alternately.